## **RESOLUTION 2020-1**

## A RESOLUTION OF THE BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS OF LA PORTE COUNTY, INDIANA, HONORING THE LEAGUE OF WOMEN VOTERS ON THE 100<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR FOUNDING

- WHEREAS, the Women's Suffrage Movement was organized in 1848 at the Seneca Falls Convention in New York State and over the next 72 years, many women dedicated their very lives to the cause; and
- WHEREAS, on June 4<sup>th</sup>, 1919, the assembled Congress of the United States of America passed the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution, prohibiting states and the federal government from denying the right to vote to citizens of the United States on the basis of sex, and submitted it to the states for ratification; and
- WHEREAS, the 19<sup>th</sup> Amendment to the Constitution was ratified by the last of the necessary thirty-six states on August 18<sup>th</sup>, 1920 and was officially adopted on August 26<sup>th</sup> in the year 1920; and
- WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters was organized on February 14th, 1920 to educate and engage these newly enfranchised women; and
- WHEREAS, in the past 100 years, through the actions of and with the support of the League of Women Voters, women have made significant contributions to government and the real-life issues affected by government; and
- WHEREAS, the League of Women Voters has promoted participation by informed citizens at all levels of government and has helped shape public policy.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED the Board of Commissioners of La Porte County, Indiana, honors the League of Women Voters on the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of their founding.

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